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SUBJECT: COMMODITY FORUMS AND THE UNCTAD INTEGRATED PROGRAM:

JUTE

REF: GENEVA 8024

1. IN TALKS WITH UK, FRG AND BELGIUM REPS, WE
GET STRONG BELIEF THAT MAJOR JUTE CONSUMER COUNTRIES
WOULD PREFER UNCTAD JUTE COMMODITY TALKS TO TAKE PLACE
IN FAO'S IG ON JUTE. ACCORDINGLY, WE SUPPORT PARAS 3 AND
4 REFTTEL.

2. FAO SECRETARIAT WANTS A PIECE OF THE ACTION BUT AS
REPORTED ARE BEING FIRMLY HELD TO LINE THAT FAO IS READY,
IF CONSUMERS AND PRODUCERS AGREE ON FAO IG FORUM. THUS,
IN CASE OF JUTE SOME SUPPORT OR AT LEAST ACQUIESCENCE
MUST COME FROM BANGLADESH, INDIA AND THAILAND. THIS
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MEANS THERE MUST BE CONTINUED AFFIRMATION OF IG ON JUTE'S

INDICATIVE PRICE FOR JUTE - SHIFT TO DOLLARS AND A
SYMPATHETIC EAR TO ANY BANGLADESH REQUEST FOR A MODEST
INCREASE. SUCCESSFUL CREATION OF JUTE INTERNATIONAL AND
OTHER TOPICS DISCUSSED IN IG ON JUTE SUCH AS CONTINUED IFI
SUPPORT FOR LOANS TO IMPROVE RAW JUTE PRODUCTION AND MILLS
WOULD ALSO HELP. VOLPE

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